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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Patent Application of Group Art Unit: 1633  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to and including December 20, 2000, for responding to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2000 (Paper No. 19). A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- A check in the amount of \$ 445.00 is enclosed herewith.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209855.0057) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
- Extension fee in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.00.
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Respectfully submitted,

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